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## The Canadian Home Front

**Review:** In 1914 Prime Minister Borden introduced the War Measures Act which gave the government emergency powers. This gave the government unprecedented influence on the lives of ordinary Canadians. Everything from transportation to manufacturing was subject to government regulation. Enemy Aliens – particularly those of German and Austro-Hungarian descent – were treated harshly and sometimes forced to carry identity cards or even go to internment camps. Censorship restricted how and what people could communicate and propaganda used a variety of techniques to inspire people to share a particular belief or opinion.

### Conscription

When World War One broke out, Prime Minister Borden promised Canadians there would be no \_\_\_\_\_

- Conscription is \_\_\_\_\_ military service

By 1917 it was obvious that Canada needed \_\_\_\_\_ troops than \_\_\_\_\_ enlistment was providing

The \_\_\_\_\_ was introduced in 1917 and made enlistment compulsory for all Canadian men between 20 and 45

- Initially, \_\_\_\_\_ were made for the disabled, the clergy, those with \_\_\_\_\_ jobs or special skills, and \_\_\_\_\_ (who opposed the war on \_\_\_\_\_ grounds)

Conscription was very \_\_\_\_\_ and ended up \_\_\_\_\_ the country

## Union Government

Borden quickly realized there was strong \_\_\_\_\_ to conscription

- He decided to try and \_\_\_\_\_ his position by requesting a \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ was strongly against conscription and refused

The election in 1917 is now referred to as the \_\_\_\_\_

- Borden tried to win military votes by introducing the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_
  - Military Voters Act: allowed \_\_\_\_\_ serving \_\_\_\_\_ to vote
  - Wartime Elections Act: gave the vote to Canadian \_\_\_\_\_ related to \_\_\_\_\_ and cancelled the vote for \_\_\_\_\_ and recent \_\_\_\_\_

## Financing the War

By 1918 the war cost \$2.5 \_\_\_\_\_ per day so the government created new plans to cover the costs

- \_\_\_\_\_ were sold and could be cashed later for \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ was introduced as a supposedly \_\_\_\_\_ measure
- Corporate Tax charged \_\_\_\_\_ four percent of their revenues

Despite these efforts, the government still had to borrow money from the \_\_\_\_\_ to pay its debts

### **Halifax Explosion (page 47)**

Halifax was a valuable base for \_\_\_\_\_ and  
\_\_\_\_\_ Allied warships

On December 6, \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ vessel was hit by  
another ship

- The SS Mont Blanc was carrying \_\_\_\_\_

Much of the city was \_\_\_\_\_ and 2000 people were \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_ were injured

### **Role of Women (page 39 and 46-47)**

In World War One more than \_\_\_\_\_ women served as part of the  
Royal Canadian Army \_\_\_\_\_ Corps

For those who chose to stay on the Home Front \_\_\_\_\_  
opportunities increased

- Women could now work in areas other than being a \_\_\_\_\_  
or a \_\_\_\_\_

After the war most employers thought women would \_\_\_\_\_ to  
their homes

- Many women wanted an increased say in how Canada was run
- Suffrage (the right to \_\_\_\_\_) was granted to women first in  
Manitoba in \_\_\_\_\_, and later in British Columbia in \_\_\_\_\_
- Women gained the federal vote in \_\_\_\_\_ – unless they were  
\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_

## **Rationing**

\_\_\_\_\_ Rationing was a civilian effort to consume \_\_\_\_\_  
and conserve supplies on the \_\_\_\_\_ front

- \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ were particularly limited
- Meatless \_\_\_\_\_ and Fuel-less Sundays saved supplies

## **War Cake Recipe:**

- 1 lb. raisins
- 2 c. boiling water
- 1 tbsp. baking soda
- 1/2 c. shortening
- 1 c. cold water
- 4 c. flour
- 2 c. sugar
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. cloves
- 2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 tsp. nutmeg
- 1 c. walnuts, chopped

Simmer the raisins and the boiling water for 15 minutes. Add the rest of the ingredients. Bake in a tube pan, at 325 degrees, for about 1 hour, or until well browned. This cake is called "War Cake" because there are no eggs, butter, or milk among the ingredients, items often in short supply during war time.